



**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AEROSPACE BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT MISSION TO SOUTH AFRICA
OCTOBER 14-18, 2002**

The Office of Aerospace is organizing a trade mission to South Africa. The purpose of the mission is to create a forum for U.S. companies to explore the many trade and investment opportunities resulting from plans for significant regional airport modernization and enhanced aircraft maintenance operations throughout South Africa.

The Commerce Department will arrange for mission members to participate in meetings with high-level civil aviation decision makers from South Africa's public and private sectors. Mission delegates will also be briefed by American Embassy officials and local U.S. business representatives on these business opportunities.

Recent structural changes in the South African economy have encouraged the participation of private companies in activities traditionally pursued by the state. These changes bring extensive trade opportunities for foreign businesses in South Africa's aerospace sector, a sector specifically targeted for growth by the South African Government. Also, South African companies are being encouraged by their government to partner with international firms.

Clients targeted for the mission will be:

- Airports Company South Africa (ACSA), the state-owned corporation controlling the country's 10 major airports
- Regional, commercially run, largely general aviation airports in Gauteng and Kwa-Zulu Natal (KZN) provinces.

The venues to be visited during the mission are:

- Johannesburg International Airport (Gauteng)
- Grand Central Airport (Gauteng)
- Wonderboom (Gauteng)
- Lanceria Airport (Gauteng)
- Vereeniging Airport (Gauteng)
- La Mercy-King Shaka Airport (KZN)
- Pietermaritzburg-Oribi Airport Project (KZN)

For more information on this event, please email Karen Dubin at karen_dubin@ita.doc.gov, call (202) 482-3786, or fax back this completed form to (202) 482-3786. Applications will be accepted until September 9, 2002.

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